# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS
# LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:6362
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STD/ISD/PCOS BOOTHS
ASHOK KUMAR SINGH CHANDEL

**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government are aware that the public booth operators get STD/ISD connections on fake name and address and disappear after one or two months resulting in loss of crore of rupees to the Government exchequer;

(b) if so, the number of such cases came to light of the Government so far during the last three years, State-wise;

(c) whether the Departmental employees are also found involved in the said cases; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government in the matter?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR COMMUNICATIONS

(SH.TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) & (b) : Sir, during the last three years, one case each in Himachal Pradesh & Rajasthan and four cases in Uttar Pradesh have come to the notice. No such case has come to the notice in other States.

(c) & (d) Sir, in some cases the departmental employees were found to be involved. Action as per rules has been initiated against those employees.